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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the use of telecommunications technology in
- 2 terminations of pregnancies, and providing penalties.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1	Section 1. NEW SECTION. 146A.1 Prohibition of termination
2	of pregnancy by telecommunications technology — penalty.
3	A person shall not cause to be dispensed to a pregnant woman
4	via telecommunications technology including but not limited
5	to a webcam or teleconferencing, any chemical agent or drug
6	designed to terminate a human pregnancy with the intent that
7	the pregnant woman will use the chemical agent or drug to
8	terminate the woman's pregnancy. A person who violates this
9	section is guilty of a serious misdemeanor.
10	EXPLANATION
11 12	The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
13	This bill relates to the use of telecommunications
14	technology in the termination of a pregnancy. The bill
15	prohibits a person from causing to be dispensed to a pregnant
16	woman, via telecommunications technology including but not
17	limited to a webcam or teleconferencing, any chemical agent or
18	drug designed to terminate a human pregnancy with the intent
19	that the pregnant woman will use the chemical agent or drug to
20	terminate the woman's pregnancy. A person who violates the
21	bill is guilty of a serious misdemeanor. A serious misdemeanor
22	is punishable by confinement for no more than one year and a
23	fine of at least \$315 but not more than \$1,875.